



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

FIRST SET OF INFORMATION REQUESTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY TO BOSTON GAS COMPANY DTE 05-66

Pursuant to 220 C.M.R. § 1.06 (6)(c), the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") submits to Boston Gas Company d/b/a KeySpan Energy Delivery New England ("Boston Gas" or "Company") its First Set of Information Requests.

Instructions

The following instructions apply to this set of Information Requests and all subsequent Information Requests issued by the Department in this proceeding.

1. Each request should be answered in writing on a separate, three-hole punch page with a recitation of requests, a reference to request number, the docket number of the case and the name of the person responsible for the answer.
2. Do not wait for all answers to be completed before supplying answers. Provide the answers as they are completed.
3. These requests shall be deemed continuing so as to require further supplemental responses if the Company or any of its witnesses receives or generates additional information within the scope of these requests between the time of the original response and the close of the record in this proceeding.
4. The term "provide complete and detailed documentation" means:

Provide all data, assumptions and calculations relied upon. Provide the source of and basis for all data and assumptions employed. Include all studies, reports and planning documents from which data, estimates or assumptions were drawn and support for how the data or assumptions were used in developing the projections or estimates. Provide and explain all supporting work papers.

5. The term “document” is used in its broadest sense and includes, without limitation, writings, drawings, graphs, charts, photographs, phono-records, microfilm, microfiche, computer printouts, correspondence, handwritten notes, records or reports, bills, checks, articles from journals or other sources and other data compilations from which information can be obtained and all copies of such documents that bear notation or other markings that differentiate such copies from the original.
6. If any one of these requests is ambiguous, notify the Hearing Officer so that the request may be clarified prior to the preparation of a written response.
7. Please serve copies an original and eight (8) copies to Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary of the Department. All written documents (except those for which confidential treatment is sought) should also be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dte.efiling@state.ma.us and to jeanne.voveris@state.ma.us or (2) on a 3.5" disk, IBM-compatible format. The text of the e-mail or the disk label must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.T.E. 05-69), (2) name of the person or company submitting the filing, and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document (e.g., Response to Information Requests). The electronic filing should also include the name, title and phone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be created in either Corel WordPerfect, Microsoft Word, or as an Adobe-compatible PDF file. Data or spreadsheet responses should be compatible with Microsoft Excel. Documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department’s Website, <http://www.mass.gov/dte>.

Requests

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| DTE 1-1 | For the year 2004, please provide the increase in tax depreciation deductions taken resulting from the bonus depreciation provisions of Section 168(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. |
| DTE 1-2 | Refer to Attachments 9 and 10 of the Company’s 2 nd Annual PBR Rate Adjustment Filing. Provide all supporting calculations and working papers used to calculate the actual bad debt dollar amounts as shown in Column D. |
| DTE 1-3 | Refer to Attachments 9 and 10 of the Company’s 2 nd Annual PBR Rate Adjustment Filing. Explain why bad debt (Column D) remains constant from March 2004-October 2005 in each attachment. |

DTE 1-4 Refer to Attachment 2, at 4 of the Company's 2nd Annual PBR Rate Adjustment Filing. Please provide the earnings sharing calculation for the year 2004 similar to the manner it was calculated in D.T.E. 04-88, Attachment 2, at 4 replacing year end equity balance with the average equity for the year or the sum of equity at the beginning of the year and equity at the end of the year divided by two.